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Applicants will be required to produce Passports or identification papers. All persons, with certain exceptions, who remain in the Colony for more than 7 days are required to Register themselves under the REGISTRATION of PERSONS ORDINANCE 1918. Forms of Registration giving the particulars required may be obtained at the G.P.O. and at all Police Stations.  
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I. Authorised Capital \$25,000,000.  
II. Subscribed Capital \$24,500,000.  
III. Paid-up Capital \$23,477,500.  
IV. Fire Funds \$3,837,047.  
V. Life & Annuity Funds \$17,567,590.  
VI. Sinking Fund Account \$12,230.  
\$23,970,587

Revenue Fire Branches \$2,581,456  
Life and Annuity 1 2,141,593  
Branches 537,269  
Revenue Marine Department 475,940  
Other Receipts 55,339,338  
\$25,970,587

The Accumulative Funds of the various Branches are separately invested, and by Act of Parliament, are set aside to meet the claims under the respective Departments of the Company's Business.

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TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAY

8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.  
10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
11.00 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.  
2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.  
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NIGHT

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From Canton daily at 8 a.m. (Sundays excepted) and 4 p.m.

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Hongkong, April 11, 1918.

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## BUSINESS NOTICES

### THE BRITISH BUDGET.

LARGEST IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD.  
INCREASED TAXATION PROPOSED.  
POSTAGE RATES RAISED:

LONDON, April 22.

Mr. Bonar Law (Chancellor of the Exchequer) introduced the Budget in the House of Commons this afternoon.

A preliminary statement issued shows how the Revenue compared with the Estimate for 1917-1918, namely:

| Amount.   | Increase.               |
|---|-------------------------|
| Customs   | \$71,261,000. £ 311,000 |
| Excise  | 88,872,000 8,822,000    |
| Estate, etc.  | 81,674,000 2,674,000    |
| Stamps  | 8,300,000 800,000       |
| Land Tax  | 665,000 15,000          |
| Income-Tax and Super.   |                         |
| Tax   | 289,509,000 15,509,000  |
| Excess-Profits Duty   | 220,214,000 20,214,000  |
| Land Duties   | 685,000 285,000         |
| Total Receipts from Taxes   | 613,040,000 48,840,000  |
| Receipts from other Sources   | 94,195,000 25,205,000   |
| Total Receipts from all Sources   | 707,235,000 88,835,000  |
| The total Expenditure provided for in the 1917-1918 Budget was £2,290,881,000, and the Supplementary Estimates amounted to £47,725,000. |                         |
| The Estimated Expenditure was £2,707,031,000.   |                         |

The votes for the Army, Navy, Air Force and Munitions in 1918-1919 are merely a token. The other estimates of expenditure in 1918-1919 are more from it, and possibly we would get less.

Mr. Bonar Law proposed to make postage on Home letters also to America, India and the Dominions 2d., and postcards 1d., yielding £3,400,000 this year. He proposed to make the stamp duty on cheques 2d., yielding £750,000 this year, realising a million for the full year.

INCOME TAX FURTHER INCREASED:

The income-tax would be increased by a shilling, yielding £1,250,000 this year. Income under £500 and Service pay would not be affected. Regarding the double income-tax within the Empire he proposed to adopt the principle of his predecessor, namely, that an extra shilling should not be charged when the double tax equalled 6s.

The allowance respecting children would be extended from £700 to £800. The super-tax maximum would be 4s. 6d. instead of 3s. 6d. and the creation of the super-tax would begin at incomes of £2,500 instead of £3,000, yielding £4,250,000.

EDUCATION £42,925,000.

STATEMENT BY THE CHANCELLOR:

Mr. Bonar Law, introducing the Budget, said it was the largest in the history of the world. He referred to America's financial assistance to the Allies and said his anticipations in that respect had been fulfilled, but, despite that, the British advances to the Allies last year amounted to £305,000,000, while the total of the American advances to ourselves and others were £95,000,000.

Mr. Bonar Law said he had been in communication with the American Secretary of the Treasury concerning these complicated transactions. He had made suggestions which, if adopted, would lessen considerably the British burden, while not increasing America's total obligations.

Quoting figures of the revenue and expenditure of last year, Mr. Bonar Law stated that the deficit amounted to £1,080,600,000, which was covered by borrowing. Turning to the present year, he said that the estimates of the Votes of Credit for the year were £2,550,000,000. The total expenditure was £2,680,000,000. If the proposed arrangement with America was effected, loans to the Allies would be £100,000,000, and to the Dominions £50,000,000.

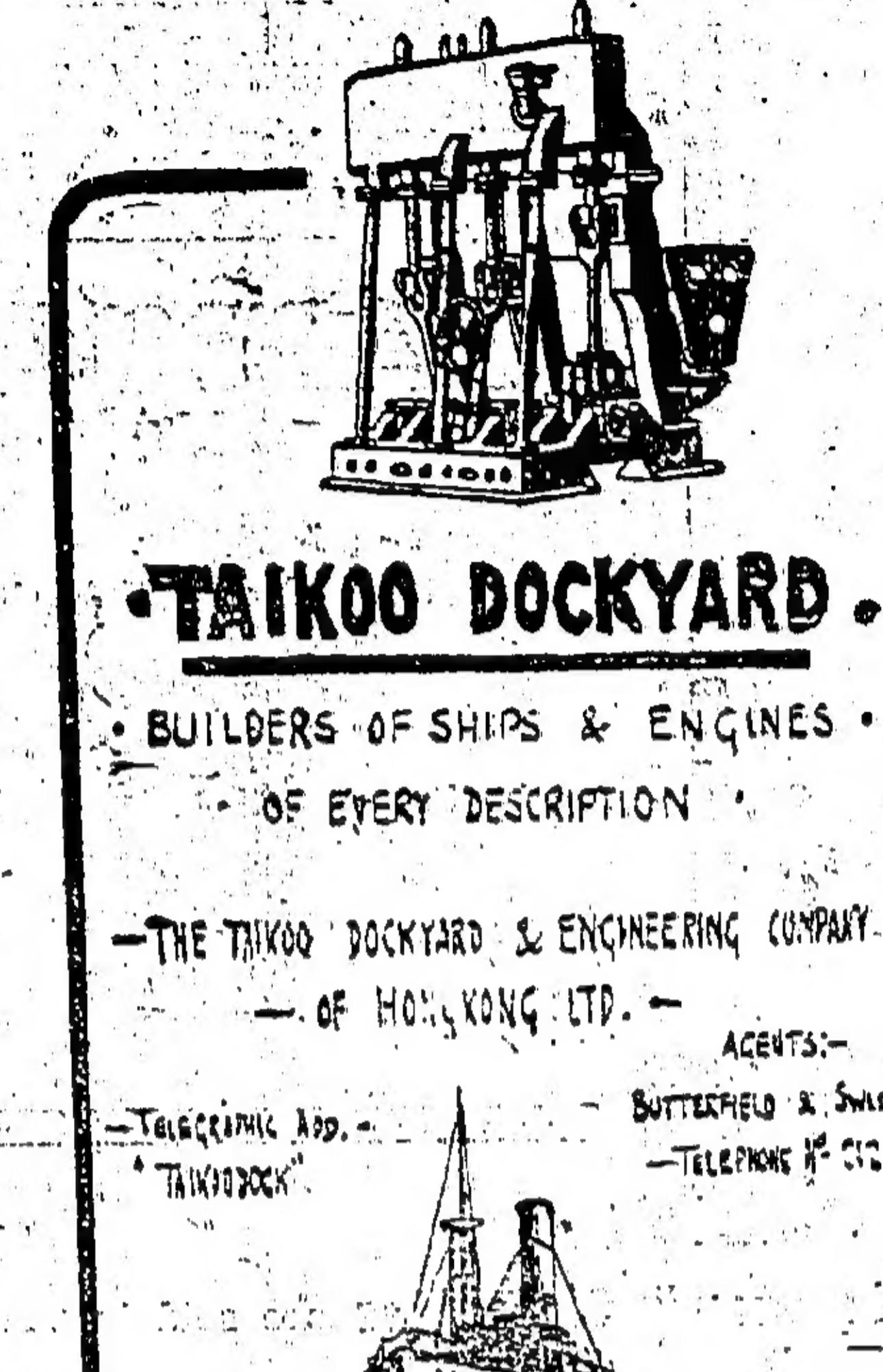
THE CHANCELLOR announced a Luxury Tax following the French example, and asked the House to appoint a Select Committee to frame schedules defining the articles. The tax would be at the rate of 2d. in the shilling.

Mr. Bonar Law concluded by expressing his conviction that the House would examine the proposal with a full realisation of the necessities and a desire to help the Government. He was perfectly certain that the country would bear the additional burden with the same spirit with which it bore so many other greater than money.

THE W.A.R.

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## INTIMATIONS

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Hongkong Ice Company, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Pedder Street, Victoria, Hongkong, MONDAY, the 8th day of May, 1918, at 12 o'clock Noon when the subjoined resolutions which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 18th day of April, 1918, will be submitted for Confirmation as special resolutions—

(1) That it is expedient to effect an amalgamation of this Company with the Dairy Farm Company, Limited, and that with a view thereto this Company will wind up voluntarily and that Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Limited, and they are hereby appointed Liquidators for the purpose of such winding up.

(2) That the conditional Agreement submitted to the meeting for the amalgamation of this Company with the Dairy Farm Company, Limited upon the terms (*inter alia*) of the acquisition by that Company of the complete undertaking, business, goodwill and property of this Company in return for the issue of shares of the Company of \$1,000,000 shares of the Dairy Farm Company, Limited, of the nominal value of \$100 each credited as fully paid up (being eight shares of \$12.50 each of that Company for each share of \$25.00 of this Company) and of the issue by the Dairy Farm Company Limited to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Limited, the General Managers of this Company (upon their entering into restrictive covenants which have been agreed upon and by way of bonus compensation for their loss of office as General Managers of this Company) of 2,000 shares of the Dairy Farm Company, Limited, of the nominal value of \$7.50 each credited as fully paid up and the same is hereby approved and that the Liquidators be and are hereby authorized pursuant to Section 153 of the Companies Ordinance 1911 to adopt the said Agreement and carry the same into effect with such (if any) modification either before or after the execution thereof as the said Liquidators may think expedient.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to 10th May, 1918, both days inclusive. Dated the 15th day of April, 1918.

JARDINE, MATHESON &amp; CO., LTD.

General Managers.

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THE DAIRY FARM CO., LTD.

APPLICATION has been made to the Directors of this Company to issue to WALTER DOUGLAS GRAHAM of Hongkong (deceased) a Duplicate Certificate of Sixty Shares in the Company or other Certificates or Certificates in lieu thereof upon the statement that the Original Certificate No. 1900 for shares numbered 28775/28834 and dated 11th January 1909, is LOST OR DESTROYED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that if within 30 days from the date hereof no claims or representations in respect of such Original Certificate is made to the Directors they will proceed to deal with such application for a Certificate.

M. MANUK,

Secretary.

Dated 4th day of April, 1918.

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED), on

F R I D A Y .

the 26th April, 1918, at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

Raincoats, Alpine Jackets, Cotton Suits, Jackets, Trousers, &c., several Tweed Suits, Boots and Shoes, &c., &c., Sundries.

A number of GENT'S STRAW HATS, (all new goods).

TERMS:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, April 22, 1918. 340

### AUCTIONS.

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BARBERS AND HAIR DRESSERS' SUNDRIES.

Comprising:—

Hair Wash, Cold Cream, Powder, Soaps, Brushes, Combs,

And

A quantity of Damascene and White Metal Goods.

TERMS:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, April 23, 1918. 251

#### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED), on

M O N D A Y ,

the 29th April, 1918, at 2.30 p.m., at No. 1, Almati Villas, (Corner of Austin Avenue and Kimberley Road).

THE SUNDAY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.

therein contained.

Comprising:—

Large Hallstand, (Powell made), Upholstered Sofas and Chairs, Pictures, &c., Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Dressing Tables, Washstands, &c., etc., Bath Room, Pantry and Kitchen Utensils.

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ELECTRIC FITTINGS AND CEILING FANS.

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TERMS:—Cash.

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Auctioneers.

Hongkong, April 23, 1918. 333

#### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Administrator of the Estate of WILLIAM CHARLES PUNCHARD deceased to sell by Public Auction, on

M O N D A Y ,

the 29th day of April, 1918, at 12 Noon, at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES

Situate at Ma-tau-kok, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1094.

The Properties consist of:—

Lot 1.—All that piece or parcel of ground situate at Ma-tau-kok in the Dependency of Kowloon and Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1094.

This Lot has an area of 150,000 sq. ft. or thereabouts and is held for the unexpired residue of the term of seventy-five years (renewable) created therein by an Indenture of Crown Lease dated the 29th day of November, 1901 subject to an annual Crown rent of \$60.

Lot 2.—All that piece or parcel of ground situate at Ma-tau-kok aforesaid and registered in the Land Office as Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1109.

This Lot adjoins Lot 1, has an area of 45,000 sq. ft. or thereabouts and is held for the expired residue of the term of seventy-five years (renewable) created therein by an Indenture of Crown Lease dated the 28th day of November, 1901 subject to an annual Crown rent of \$2500.

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Solicitors,  
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or to

Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers,

8, Des Vaux Road.

Hongkong, April 16, 1918. 330

#### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED), on

M O N D A Y ,

the 6th May, 1918, commencing at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

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Including Books on Shakespeare, "Transactions of the New Shakespeare Society," Tissot's Illustrated "Life of Christ," the Works of Swinburne, Tennyson, Peter Dowden, William Morris, Edwin Arnold, Dickens, Meredith, &c., &c., many French Authors including Works by Hugo, Georges Sand, Lamartine, Maupassant, Zola, Poldain, Lemaître, Theobert, Bazin, Regnier, Francis Jammes, &c., &c., &c.

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TERMS:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,  
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Hongkong, April 22, 1918. 341

#### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED), on

W E D N E S D A Y ,

the 1st May, 1918, at 11 a.m., at No. 3 Fair View, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

THE

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Hongkong, April 22, 1918. 342

### AMERICAN TRADE WITH CHINA.

#### 10 PER CENT. OF CHINA TRADE.

Brutiful as might be our net good-will in China, the fact remains that before the war our dealings with that country amounted to less than 10 per cent. of its total foreign trade. Is good-will of this sort so very weighty after all? Japan found it an appreciable factor in spite of the fact that her total dealings with China ordinarily double ours. Her long series of high-handed acts in China, culminating in her ill-conceived twenty-one demands resulted in an effective boycott by which she immediately lost millions of trade, turned from her markets thousands of prospective customers for a long time to come, and invited retaliation in the erection of scores of competitive plants by Chinese. Japan appreciated her loss when it was too late. Her change of Cabinet and policy toward China has been regarded by the Chinese as an attempt to change the "leopard's

spots" for the blue dyes that give the throngs of China their predominant colour have been met by Americans only since the beginning of the war. Adaptation is the soul of foreign trade. Who in America would think of the need of a special pedal arrangement for the sewing machine to be used by women with "lily" feet? China offers fortunes to inventors and promoters of machines suitable for the substitution of cheap labour. China's industrial needs will never be learned from this side of the Pacific.

The methods of the Standard Oil Company and the Singer Sewing Machine Company, with their large sales forces on the spot, are admirable examples of adaptation to requirements. The bright calendar of the former company, with its symbolism of American-Chinese harmony, its suggestion of cheapness in the carelessly tumbled profusion of Soony products, its gaudy tin lamp (for some time distributed free), and its simple reading matter makes an instantaneous and universal appeal. The easy payment plan of the Singer Company, and the establishment of sewing schools where instruction is given free of charge have resulted in large sales.

Need of intimate contact with the Chinese has been met by Germany and by England in the establishment of schools in Shanghai and Hankow for the teaching of business Chinese, a practice that might well be followed by others in their effort to supplement knowledge of China and the Chinese that even long residence in the country leaves too scanty.

Goods will not sell themselves in China any faster than elsewhere. The main reason why we have not increased our sales there is evident: our merchants have relied chiefly on agencies. The manager of a kerosene company once told our commercial attaché that in the old days when his oil was sold through an agency, a prospective purchaser would have to knock down whole office forces of underlings to get his requests to headquarters." This company later put its own sales organization into the territory, and its sales increased ten-fold in five years.

#### AGENTS IN THE FIELD.

Mark Twain's man of science, observing that the dragon of ancient Germany spat fire, slew the reptile with a fire extinguisher. As his reward, he claimed not the King's daughter, as was the custom at that period, but a monopoly of eye-glasses for Germany. A virtual monopoly almost as valuable, that of printing bank-notes for China, has been maintained by a salesman who has for years observed at close range every move of the Chinese dragon. Few of the huge orders bagged by him will, its jingling refrain runs, something like this:—

"The Americans are all right: the English are pretty good: it is only the Germans that are the bad old hen's eggs."

As the song suggests, the ledgers of other nations trading with China contain their own private balances of good-will, but Uncle Sam is the chief holder of this intangible asset.

The milder retaliation by the American troops after the Boxer excesses is only one of numerous acts that have won for us the supreme good-will of the Chinese. The revision for educational purposes of a large part of our share in the crushing indemnities levied upon China after the Boxer Uprising is also gratefully remembered by millions of Chinese to-day. We were the first to recognize the new Republic in 1911 and the second to approve the commercial treaty of 1912. Thrice have we stood foremost among the Powers willing to accede to China's request for an increase in her customs tariff to be about two and half per cent. *ad valorem* by treaty, while Japan with other Powers has twice obstructively blocked the reform. The refusal of President Wilson in 1913 to support American bankers in a Sextuple Group that sought to acquire from the temporary rulers of China a usurious monopoly of loans expressed again our definite desire to maintain a free and united China.

Having an agent on the field has often proved of value in other ways. An order from native mines near Changsha for two huge boilers was promptly filled by a firm in America. The boilers were rushed off on flat cars and in due time set down at Changsha. There it was found that the roads out to the mines were so bad that the boilers had to be taken apart and put on small carts. Delay, waste and vexation ensued.

Some months ago the writer was informed by an American dealer in furniture at Canton that the business had been ruined by the phenomenal rise of freight rates on the Pacific, the ton being determined by measurement in this class of goods.

Even while the dealer was speaking, exporters of a similar product from Hongkong were solving the difficult problem of knocking down their rattan furniture. They now ship ten pieces to the ton instead of four as formerly. This solution might or might not have been devised from this side of the Pacific. Again, to one not on the field the reason why dictaphones promise to succeed while adding machines do not may not be at all obvious.

A rich harvest has been reaped by those Americans who, after 1914, learned the requirements of cheap window-glass for China. The require-

#### AUCTION.

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M. GEO. P. LAMMERT has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that  
ON THE THIRTY-THIRD ANNUAL  
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of the Company (since its registration)  
will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL  
Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 4th  
May, 1918, at Noon, for the purpose of  
receiving the Report of the General  
Managers together with a Statement of  
Accounts to the 31st December, 1917.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the  
Company, will be CLOSED from  
MONDAY, the 29th day of April to  
MONDAY, the 6th day of May, 1918,  
both days inclusive, during which period  
no transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, April 24, 1918.

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## THE CALENDAR.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.  
9.15.—Second Performance of "The  
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GENERAL MEMORANDA.

FRIDAY, April 26.—  
Hongkong Stock Exchange Settlement  
Day.SATURDAY, April 27.—  
9.15.—Third Performance of "The  
Witness for the Defence."MONDAY, April 29.—  
Noon.—Sale of Kowloon leasehold  
properties by Messrs. Hughes and  
Hough.MONDAY, May 6.—  
Non—Extraordinary General Meet-  
ing of Hongkong Ice Company.TUESDAY, May 14.—  
3 p.m.—Sale by auction of "Tus-  
cuman" Barker Road by Mr. Geo. P.  
Lammert.

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that the only hope of an early  
termination of the war lies in  
the complete frustration of the  
present German effort in such a way  
as will convince the German people  
that the prospect of recovering huge  
indemnities from the Allies is clearly  
a vain delusion. Then we may look  
for the collapse.

## COMPANY MEETING.

HONGKONG TRAMWAY CO. LTD.

The ordinary annual general meeting  
of the shareholders of the Hongkong  
Tramway Company, Limited, was held  
today at noon at the offices of Messrs.  
Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. There were  
present.—The Hon. Mr. David Landale  
(Chairman), Sir Robert Ho, Tung, the  
Hon. Mr. E. Shelling, the Hon. Mr. Lau  
Chu Pak (Director), Mr. W. E. Roberts  
(Secretary and General Manager), the  
Rev. Father Robert, Messrs. R. H.  
Hancock, P. C. Potts, H. W. Looker,  
R. A. Raymond, H. Taylor and A.  
Ritchie.

The CHAIRMAN (the Hon. Mr. David  
Landale) said:—

"Gentlemen.—With your permission I  
will take the Report and Accounts as  
read. The result of the year's working  
shows a net profit after providing for  
Depreciation and Debenture Interest of  
\$44,245.16s. 5d., a figure such that  
in the previous year's accounts, although  
the actual total profit is somewhat less.  
An interim dividend of 9s. was paid in Sept. last; and your directors  
now recommend a final dividend for the  
year of 14s., which, together amount to  
\$18,687.10s. 4d., leaving, with the  
amount brought forward from 1916, the  
sum of \$23,287.4s. 4d. to be carried  
forward as a provision for possible con-  
tingencies. Traffic Receipts during the  
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## LINE ADVANCED SLIGHTLY AT ROBECQ.

LONDON, April 23, 10 p.m.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

We repulsed raids in the neighbourhood of Hamel and south of the La Bassée Canal, opposite Cambrai.

The enemy captured an advanced post north-westward of Festubert, which has already changed hands several times.

We advanced our line slightly at Robecq, taking 68 prisoners.

Our artillery engaged hostile infantry assembling in this neighbourhood.

## LOCAL FIGHTING TO OUR ADVANTAGE.

LONDON, April 23, 11.15 p.m.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

We took 60 prisoners as a result of a successful operation last night northward of Albert, improving our position. We also captured a number of prisoners in the Rebecq and Wytschaete areas in local fighting, which was to our advantage.

We raided trenches and reached the support lines in the neighbourhood of Fampoux.

Hostile artillery was active westward of Albert on the bulk of the front from southward of Nieppe Forest to eastward of Ypres.

Our artillery engaged concentrations in the Villers Bretonneux sector and in the neighbourhood of Serre.

## THE INDOMITABLE COURAGE OF OUR ARMIES.

## DIVISIONS ACQUIT THEMSELVES WITH CREDIT.

LONDON, April 23, 2.45 p.m.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, in a supplementary report, says:—

During the first two days of the enemy's offensive southward of Arras the Twenty-First Division maintained the positions at Epehy against all assaults and only withdrew under orders, when the enemy's progress southward necessitated the withdrawal. Before withdrawing, it inflicted great loss on the enemy, and the German official reports acknowledge the bitterness of the fighting.

The Twenty-Fifth Division in close support when the attack opened was sent immediately into battle in the neighbourhood of the Bapaume-Cambrai road, but were not dislodged from any position, though they were constantly attacked.

## A SUCCESSFUL DAY FOR BRITISH AVIATORS.

LONDON, April 23, 12.50 a.m.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, reporting on aviation, says:—

There was better weather yesterday, greater activity and incessant bombing on the whole front.

We dropped over 28 tons of bombs on the Thourout railway station, on Menin, Armentières, Chaulnes and other targets.

Our low-fliers fired thousands of rounds.

Enemy machines appeared in great numbers, but they were not aggressive.

We brought down 18 and drove down six machines out of control. Five of ours are missing.

The pilot of one of the enemy machines brought down was Baron Bichtofen.

Our night-fliers dropped 94 tons of bombs on Paronne, Armentières, Bapaume and also the railway junction of Chaulnes.

All our machines returned.

## FRENCH OFFICIAL REPORTS.

## A GOOD DAY IN THE AIR.

LONDON, April 23, 1.10 a.m.

A French communiqué states:— There was nothing except somewhat lively artillery action in the Montdidier-Noyon region between the 20th and the 22nd.

Five enemy aeroplanes and two captive balloons were brought down. Sixteen were felled in our own lines, badly damaged.

Our machines dropped 49,000 kilogrammes of projectiles on railway stations, camps, and aerodromes at St. Quentin and elsewhere, and caused fires at the railway stations of Chaulnes and Asfeld. We blew up an ammunition dump east of Guise.

## GERMAN REPORT.

LONDON, April 22, 10.35 p.m.

A wireless German official report states:—

Enemy attempts to cross the La Bassée Canal north-westward of Béthune failed.

We captured 88 English and 22 mine-throwers northward of Albert.

## FIGHTING IN THE BALKANS.

LONDON, April 23.

A French Macedonian communiqué states:—

There is great fighting activity on all sectors.

## FIGHTING IN MACEDONIA.

## ITALIANS INFILCT LOSSES.

LONDON, April 22.

An Italian official report from Macedonia states:—

We inflicted at dawn on Saturday heavy losses on the German advanced posts, one of which was destroyed.

## LABOUR OF WAR PRISONERS.

## GERMANY DELAYS DESPATCH OF RUSSIANS.

AMSTERDAM, April 22.

Germany's determination to retain the labour of the Russian prisoners of war as long as possible is reflected in an official statement to the German Press that the immediate return of the Russian prisoners is impossible. Their return can only proceed very slowly and must extend a long period, owing to the fact the war makes upon communications.

The statement finally refers "to the possibility of the prisoners preferring to remain in Germany."

## GERMAN PRISONERS IN RUSSIA.

## RUSSIA PROMISES BETTER TREATMENT.

LONDON, April 22.

A wireless Russian official report states:—

Russia has informed Germany that orders had been issued in internment camps to prevent acts of violence amongst prisoners of war differing politically, and also to assure officer prisoners the privileges that they possess in their own country.

Moreover, officials have been instructed to renounce all agitation against the political constitution of Germany and her allies.

## THE HOME RULE BILL.

## TO BE INTRODUCED SHORTLY.

LONDON, April 22.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law stated that the Home Rule Bill would be introduced immediately, but he could not give the date.

## MAXIMUM PRICE FOR WHISKY.

LONDON, April 22.

The Press Bureau states:—

The Food Controller has fixed the maximum price of whisky of 80 per cent. under proof at 8s 6d. and 9s 6d. per bottle, according to quality, and a proportionate reduction for lower strengths.

## AMERICA AND THE WAR.

## RAW COTTON PRICE FIXED.

WASHINGTON, April 23.

A Bill fixing the maximum price of raw cotton at 20 cents per pound during the war has been introduced in the Congress. It empowers President Wilson to reduce or raise the price at his discretion.

## EXCITING MOVEMENTS ON NEW YORK EXCHANGE.

NEW YORK, April 23.

The Cotton Exchange had another exciting day.

After some Japanese support values broke from 125 to 165 points, under heavy general selling, then rebounded from 80 to 80 points, but again slumped a hundred points on the introduction of the Bill fixing the price.

After a rally of 50 points, induced by heavy covering, the Market closed steady.

## STABILISATION OF SILVER QUOTATION.

WASHINGTON, April 23.

The Government's Silver Bill has been passed in the Senate, which has inserted an amendment providing for the melting of \$50 million silver dollars instead of \$30 million, as originally provided.

## THE SILVER MARKET.

## MESSRS. MONTAGU'S REPORT.

LONDON, April 23.

Messrs. Samuel Montagu and Company's Silver Report states:—

Owing to proposed legislation in the United States possibly involving the stabilisation of the silver quotation there at a high figure, the Market here has developed considerable firmness.

Shanghai exchange has somewhat improved, but the quotation still keeps below the silver parity.

## A MAIL STEAMER IN DANGER.

## STRANDED IN A SQUALL.

The following report is taken from the *Singapore Free Press* of the 4th inst.—

A mail steamer for Singapore on Saturday night went ashore on a sandbank to the west, about 10.45 p.m. During the night there was a very strong Sunda, which drove the vessel further on the bank and she took on a dangerous steep list. She had a large number of passengers on board and these were landed in the early hours of the morning, some finding refuge on the Dutch ships recently requisitioned and now at the wharves, the others coming ashore practically with only what they had on. Craft of many sorts were sent out to the assistance of the vessel, which is of the finest of her line.

## A PASSENGER'S ACCOUNT.

"Somewhere about half past ten I left the Smoking-Room and went to the cabin where my wife had already retired, on D deck. I had just changed into pyjamas when the squall came on. The vessel at once took a list to starboard, not a big angle, but a decided one. This gradually increased slowly, as I suppose the water got in through the submerged ports until at last we were almost standing on the cabin wall on board. On opening the big square port I felt the husband's brutal conduct obliged the wife to leave the table. The tourist (Henry Threlk) unknown to the husband, happened to be in the library in the first act we see Stephen Ballantyne and Stella his wife (Mrs. W. Logan) in the tent at night, and a glimpse is given of the awful life the wife has to endure. Stephen invites a tourist passing through the district to dine at the tent, and during the dinner the husband's brutal conduct obliges the wife to leave the table. 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## SCOTTISH NOTES.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

EDINBURGH, Feb. 25.

EXTRAVAGANT CLYDE WORKERS.

The masses in Glasgow are making

too much money, and they are wast-

ing their money in every conceivable

manner. Sir William Beardmore,

of the great engineering and shipbuild-

ing company on the Clyde, made this

statement before the Select Com-

mittee on premium bonds. His own

workers, numbering between 30,000

and 35,000 people, were acquiring

most extravagant habits, and he

looked forward to the future with

great alarm. "I think it will be a

very serious matter indeed to bring

these people to earth again; at the

present moment they are really in

the air." It is his experience that

the more money you paid the masses

the less work was done. They were

inclined to "lay off" on the slightest

protection, and they were always

ready to go out on strike. There was

moderation in all things, and without

question the present rate of pay was

beyond the limit, although just now

a reduction would be anything but a

wise thing. Sir William thought

premium bonds an excellent idea;

they would appeal to the sporting

element in the Scottish people; and

he took no objection to this form of

gambbling so long as it was on healthy

lines.

Another witness, Sir George And-

erson, late Treasurer of the Bank of

Scotland, while deprecating the gam-

bling element, was of opinion that,

as a practical war necessity, premium

bonds would be readily agreed to by

a large majority of the Scottish

people. There was no doubt about

the ability of the Scottish working

classes to subscribe further large

sums to the War Fund. He estimated

that about £11,000,000 must

be in their pockets, tills, or stock-

ings; there was undoubtedly between

15 and 20 more millions in notes and

coin in their possession than before

the war. Much of that money was

held by those who had no bank

accounts or other outlets, and large

sums must be lying idle and useless.

In January last, although £120,000,000 was subscribed through the

banks, only £40,000,000 was

withdrawn from deposit.

INFORMATION OF SCOTTISH FISHERMEN.

It was known that several Scottish

fishermen were sunk in the German

destroyer mid in Dover Straits on the

night of the 14th February. The

names of the boats were a clue to

their home harbours. And now the

official Admiralty account gives fur-

ther details. At least ten of Ger-

many's largest and fastest destroyers

sank out on a night of inky darkness

and came upon a group of seven

drifters. They bore down upon the

tiny craft from four quarters, and

when within 50 yards, poured in

volleys of high explosive shells. It

was not a set fight; the odds were

too preposterously great. And a

band of sixty seafarers, mostly all

former fishermen, went down at the

post of duty. A stirring story is told

of the saving of one of these drifters.

The two engineers of the Violet

May, Ewing and Noble, succeeded in

launching their boat, and lowered

into it the mate, who was mortally

wounded, and a wounded deck hand.

The remainder of the crew lay dead,

inextricably entangled in the blazing

wreckage. The two engineers

paddled clear, waited till the enemy

had passed on, and then closed their

little ship again. The fire had held

of the ship forward, steam was pour-

ing from her wrecked engine-room,

and the ammunition was exploding

broadcast about her decks.

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## HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Orders for Artillery Company by Capt. J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D.

PARADES AT BELCHERS BATTERY.

Thursday, 25th April.

7.30 a.m.—Right Half Company. Lay-  
ers' Class only.

Frid. 26th April.

7.30 a.m.—Right Half Company. Lay-  
ers' Class only.

5.15 p.m.—Left Half Company. New  
Layers' Class only.

The following N.C.O.s and men have  
passed the D.R.F. Examination held by  
the LG.

Right Half Company.—Bom. Rouse,  
L. Toms, Douglas, Carroll and Ralton  
and Gurn, Raymond, Purves, Fletcher,  
Wicks, Brewer and Reza.

Left Half Company.—Sergt. Frib and  
Gars, Boulton, Tatum, Hiden, Wil-  
son, Cormack and Rapley.

Orders for Engineers Company by  
Captain W. Russell.

10th to 26th April.

E. L. MANNING NIGHTS.

Parades as per rosters posted at Head-  
quarters. Engine-drivers at 6.30 p.m.;  
drill-drill at 6.45 p.m.

OFFICERS NEXT FOR D.P.

Boulton, Lieut. Hall.

Lyemun, Capt. James.

Stenographers: Ind. Lieut. Marley.

Instruction for N.C.O.s and men of  
the Infantry Battalion attached for  
duty.

Class 1 at Belchers at 8.30 p.m. on  
Mondays and Thursdays.

Class 2 at Belchers at 8.30 p.m. on  
Tuesdays and Fridays.

Class 3 at Lyemun at 6.30 p.m. on  
Tuesdays and Fridays, under Staff Sergets  
Ovendene and Parsons, R.E., Corp. Day  
and 2nd Corp. Norris, H.K.D.C., at  
Belchers and Staff Sergets, Barclay and  
White, R.E., and Sergt. Williams,  
H.K.D.C., at Lyemun.

Detail of duties at Lyemun from 17th  
to 30th April, is posted at Headquarters  
for information of all concerned.

Pay and travelling expense for March  
may be obtained on application at Capt.  
W. Russell's Office.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by  
Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADES.

A "C" Company.

Thursday, 23rd April.

5.30 p.m.—Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 Platoons  
on Polo Ground. Hongkong resi-  
dents will parade at the Cricket Club  
at 5.10 p.m. and proceed by tram to  
Causeway Bay. Company drill.

Dress, drill order.

"B" Company.

5.00 p.m.—Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8 Platoons  
on Polo Ground. Hongkong resi-  
dents will parade at the Cricket Club  
at 5.10 p.m. and proceed by tram to  
Causeway Bay. Company drill.

Dress, drill order.

MACHINE GUN COMPANY.

Thursday, 23rd April.

5.10 p.m.—Drill at Headquarters. The  
following men only need attend:

Mr. Field, Irvine, Laburn, A. C.  
D. Logan, C. T. Logan, McKerns,  
Pinegar and Stapleton.

NOTIFIED SECTION.

Thursday, 23rd April.

5.30 p.m.—At Jockey Club Stables.

Dress, drill order, without rifles.

NOTIFICATION SECTION.

Friday, 24th April.

5.30 p.m.—Parade at Headquarters.

Dress, clean fatigue.

NOTICES.

Friday, 26th April.

5.15 p.m.—All units except "D" Com-  
pany on Murray Parade Ground,

under Sergts. Edmunds and Meade.

Dress, drill order.

G. E. STEWART,

Captain,

Adjutant, H.K. Defence Corps.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1913.

NOTICE.

A meeting of the Shooting Committee  
of all units will be held at Headquarters  
on Wednesday, 24th April, at 5.30 p.m.  
to discuss arrangements for a Rifle meet-  
ing.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

Orders issued by Mr. F. C. Jenkins,  
C.B.E., D.S.P. (R.).

SEARCH SUPERVISOR.

Supervisors are ordered to report in  
to the Inspector on Duty punctually  
15 minutes before the hour at which  
they are required to be on duty on the  
Ward.

Visiting Officers must return their  
daily Duty lists to this Office before 12  
noon on the day following the day of  
duty and must include in any report the  
giving of permission to any men to re-  
port off duty early.

ARMED UNIFORM.

Summer Uniform is to be worn on all  
duties day and night.

NOTICE OF EQUIPMENT.

No further issues of Summer Uniform  
or of boots will be made unless written  
application for same is in the hands of  
Equipment Officers on or before 12 noon  
on Saturday next, April 27th.

EQUIPMENT PARADE.

The attention of all ranks in drawn to  
Orders of April 22nd and 23rd.

Sections 11 and 12 will attend on  
Thursday, May 2nd.

PROMOTIONS.

The following promotions are sanctioned  
by the C.M.C.—Crown Sergt. 701  
Battersonfield to be Inspector, Search  
Supervisors Squad; P. C. O. Lai Man  
Wai to be Sergeant; Sergt. S. Tang Wai  
Name to be Acting Sergt. in charge  
of Buglers and Drummers.

Bugler 102, Chan King Chang to be  
Acting Sergeant.

By Order,

T. F. House,  
A.B.I. (R.) and Adjutant

## INTIMATIONS

## "REGAL" RECORDS.

## HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

## Butcher Meat.

Beef Sirloin—Met Lung Pa ... lb. 24

Prime Cut ... 24

Corned—Hau Ngan Yuk ... 23

Roast—Shin ... 24

Braised—Ngan Nam ... 20

Soup—Tong Yuk ... 24

Steak—Ngan Yuk Pa ... 24

Steak Sirloin—Ngan Lan ... 30

Steak Sirloin—Ngan Cheung ...

No. 1 ... 26

Bullock's Brains—Ngan No per set ...

Tripe (undressed) Ngan To lb. 6

Calves' Head and Feet—Ngan-tui ...

Leg—Young Pei ... 26

Shoulder—Young Shan ... 24

Saddle—Young Ou Yuk ... 16

Pig's Chilings—Che Chong per set ...

Brain—Chu No ... per set 22

Feet—Chu Keuk ... 22

Fry—Chu Chap ... 15

Heart—Chu Sam ... each 10

Kidneys—Chu Yiu ... each 10

Liver—Chu Kwo ... lb. 30

Pork Chop—Chu Kai ... 25

Leg—Chu Pei ... 28

Loin—Chu Hau Tui ... 28

Fat or Lard—Chu Yau ... 21

Sheep's Head and Feet—Young

Tau Keuk ... set 60

Heart—Young Sam ... each 8

Kidneys—Young Yiu ... each 12

Liver—Young Kon ... lb. 28

Sucking Pig, to order—Chu Tai ... 25

Suet, Beef—Shang Ngan Yiu ... 20

Mutton—Shang Young You ... 20

Veal—Ngan Tai Yiu ... 28

Sausages—Ngan Tai Cheung

No. 1 ... lb. 20

Lard—Chu Yau ... set 15

Fish.

Barbel—Ka Yiu ... lb. 19

Bream—Pit Yiu ... lb. 21

Canton Fresh Water Fish—Eci Sia Yu ...

Carp—Li Yu ... lb. 18

Catfish—Chie Yu ... 12

Codfish—Mun Yu ... 20

Crabs—Hai ... 22

Outtle Fish—Muk Yu ... 15

Dab—Shu Mang Yu ... 23

Dace—Wong Mai Lap ... 10

Dog Fish—Tit To Sha ... 10

Eels—Conger—Hoi Man ... 15

Fresh water—Tin Shui Yu ... 25

Yellow—Wong Sin ... 25

Frog—Tin Kai ... 33

Gourami—Shek Pan ... 18

Gudgeon—Pak Kap Yu ... 18

Herring—Tio Pak ... 22

Halibut—Ob-chung Kap ... 18

Labrus—Wong Fa Yu ... 22

Leach—Wu Yu ... 22

Lobster—Lung Ha ... 22

Mackerel—Chi Yu ... 29

Monk Fish—Mong Yu ... 32

Mullet—Tsiu Ya ... 19

Oysters—Shang Ho ... 16

Parrot Fish—Kai Kung Yu ... 24

Porpoise—Tau Lo ... 20

Pike—Pi Fau Fong ... 16

Plaice—Pai Yu ... 23

Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong ... 28

Pomfret, White—Pak Chong ... 38

Prawns—Ming Ha ... 26

Ray—Pi Fai Sha ... 10

Rock Fish—Shek Kan Kung ... 13

Roach—Chun Yu ... 22

Salmon—Ma Yu ... 29

Stark—Sha Yu ... 8

Skate—Po Yu ... 19

Shrimps—Ha ... 28

Snapper—Lai Yu ... 32

Solea—Tsi She Yu ... 28

Tench—Wan Yu ... 23

Turbot—